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1. US MTN DEL (NEWKIRK) APPROACHED LOCAL EC DEL TO RE-LAY CONTENTS OF REF A. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, CHUMAS CALLED FROM BRUSSELS TO DISCUSS US/EC POSITION ON VALUATION NEGOTIATIONS. HE STATED THAT THE EC HAD HOPED FOR A CONFIRMATION OF THE US/EC UNDERSTANDING CONTAINED IN OUR EXCHANGE OF LETTERS (REF B AND C) BUT THAT SUCH A CONFIRMATION HAD NOT BEEN MADE DURING THE CONSULTATIONS. AS A RESULT, DAVIGNON HAD COME AWAY "PESSIMISTIC" CONCERNING THE OUTCOME OF VALUATION IN THE MTN.

2. USDEL RESPONDED THAT OUR POSITION, AS REFLECTED IN OUR LETTER TO THE EC, HAD NOT CHANGED AND THAT WE WERE STILL COMMITTED TO UNDERTAKING SERIOUS NEGOTIATIONS ON THE SUBJECT OF VALUATION IN THE MTN PROVIDED THAT THE EC UNDERSTOOD THAT ADEQUATE RECIPROCITY WOULD BE NECESSARY FOR A SATISFACTORY CONCLUSION TO THIS PHASE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS. CHUMAS RESPONDED THAT HE UNDERSTOOD THIS

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POINT BUT THAT THIS IS ONE OF FEW AREAS WHERE EC IS DEMANDEUR, AND THAT SEVERAL MEMBER STATES REMAIN SKEPTICAL OF US INTENTIONS. AS A RESULT, SOME HIGH LEVEL REAFFIRMATION WOULD BE NECESSARY. CHUMAS SUGGESTED EITHER A FURTHER EXCHANGE OF LETTERS REAFFIRMING THE CONTENTS OF THE ORIGINAL LETTERS, OR SOME FUTURE AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL CONFIRMATION THAT THIS IS INDEED THE POSITION. FOR

THE MOMENT, HOWEVER, HE IS WILLING TO LET THE ISSUE REST, AT LEAST UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING OF 113 COMMITTEE THAT WILL DISCUSS VALUATION (NOW SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 24).

3. IN REGARD TO A REPORT (REF A, PARA. 1) THAT US HAD NOT RESPONDED TO EC DRAFT, WE POINTED OUT THAT US HAD OFFERED DETAILED COMMENTS ON INFORMAL CHUMAS DRAFT BUT THAT A MORE FORMAL WRITTEN US REACTION WOULD BE FORTHCOMING ONLY TO AN EC PAPER THAT HAD A STATUS BEYOND "A PERSONAL INITIATIVE". IN ADDITION, WE UNDERSTOOD THAT THE EC WAS NOW WORKING ON THE SECOND DRAFT AND THAT THEY EXPECTED NO MORE FROM THE UNITED STATES UNTIL THAT WAS COMPLETED. CHUMAS AGREED WITH BOTH POINTS AND EXPLAINED HE WAS "NOT IN THE ROOM" AT THE US-EC DISCUSSIONS WHEN THIS ISSUE CAME UP. HE SAID HE WOULD "STRAIGHTEN IT OUT" IN THE COMMISSION.

4. IN REGARD TO FUTURE WORK PROGRAM, CHUMAS VERIFIED THAT THEY WERE WORKING ON A NEW DRAFT THAT WOULD EVENTUALLY EMERGE AS A COMMISSION PAPER. HE INTENDS TO SEEK US COMMENTS ON THIS DRAFT BEFORE FORMAL CIRCULATION.

5. COMMENT: AT THE CHUMAS LEVEL, THERE IS NO PRESSING CONCERN OVER THE STATUS OF THE VALUATION NEGOTIATIONS VIS-A-VIS THE UNITED STATES. WHILE HE HAS HIS INTERNAL DIFFICULTIES, HE REMAINS OPTIMISTIC THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS CAN PROCEED AS HE HAD ORIGINALLY ENVISIONED.
END COMMENT. WALKER
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